

- 1. When the Russians arrived at Neubrandenburg in 1945, they found, on the airfield and at the torpedo testing station on the Tollensesee, about five hundred Messerschmitt type jet fighter planes which they shipped to Russia. Nost of these planes were in the hangars and particularly in an underground hangar which lies in an area of the field which is strongly quarded. Only Russian soldiers and workmen who live in the reconditioned barracks may go there, and they are not permitted to leave the field.
- 2. Since April 1949 about 450 workmen have been working on the reconditioning of the airfield. In June, a large staff of Russian engineers arrived with about 1200 men to complete the work. About one half of the new runway is completed and it is to be finished in September. The two original runways only needed to be repaired in a few places. The new runway is made of reinforced concrete and is to be about 3,800 meters long. The radio direction finder station, at the north-west end of the field is not yet finished, but the Russian engineers are working on it. The hangars are once more in usable condition. The guard houses at the entrance to the field are intact. The rotor pool hangar near the entrance to the field is also completed.
- 3. There are about 100 officers and men stationed at the field. At the end of August there were eight twin engine planes parked on the hangar aprons which made flights lasting about two hours each during the daytime. Some smaller planes were parked in one of the hangars and seemed to be undergoing repairs. Russian soldiers standing on guard were blue shoulder straps.

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Attachment: 1 Sketch of Neubrandenburg Aiffield.

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